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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE UR- USSR AGREEMENT ON OCEANOGRAPHY

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REF: A. MOSCOW 5922, B. STATE 99694

1. REFTEL A ARRIVED AFTER REFTEL B ALREADY SENT.
FOLLOWING IS DETAILED RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS IN REFTEL A.

2. RE PARA 7, OUR QUERY IN REFTEL B IS STILL VALID;
BUT USDEL MAY WISH TO KEEP BOTH " POLAR AND " UNDERSEA"
OUT OF TEXT AS BASIS FOR FUTURE QUID PRO QUO.

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NUMERALS IN DESIGNATING ARTICLES, AS IN S& T AND OTHER AGREEMENTS TO DATE. WE WILL ACCEPT LOWER CASE LETTERS, BUT NOT DASHES, IN ENUMERATING ITEMS IN ARTICLES 2 AND 3. THIS PERMITS READY REFERENCE.

4. RE PARA 9, WE ACCEPT USDEL SUGGESTIONS. WE CAN LIVE WITH OR WITHOUT DATES OF AGREEMENTS; WE ARE WILLING TO OMIT REFERENCE TO SUCCESSOR AGREEMENTS AND WE ACCEPT SUGGESTED ORDER AND MANNER OF REFERENCE TO OTHER AGREEMENTS.

5. RE PARA 2, TO REPLACE " MONITOR" IN ARTICLE 4, US SUGGESTS FOLLOWING ORDER OF ALTERNATIVES: MONITOR, REVIEW, FOLLOW THE PROGRESS OF, KEEP ONE ANOTHER INFORMED OF. RUSSIAN WORDS MIGHT BE NABLYUDAT ZA; SLEDIT ZA; OSVEDOMLYATSA; INFORMOVATSA. USDEL SHOULD POINT OUT WE ARE UNABLE TO FACILITATE AND ENCOURAGE CONTACTS WE ARE UNAWARE OF. IN ARTICLE 5(3), WE BELIEVE MONITOR, SUPERVISE, OVERSEE ARE VERY APPROPRIATE. RUSSIAN WORDS NABLYUDAT ZA, PROSMOTRET, PROVERYAT, KONTROLLIROVAT WOULD SEEM ACCEPTABLE. WE ARE HESITANT TO PERMIT ULTIMATE FALLBACK NOW, SINCE SAME PROBLEM WILL ARISE NEXT WEEK IN TRANSPORTATION NEGOTIATIONS.

6. RE PARA 3, USDEL MAY TABLE WORDING OF ARTICLE 4 AS GIVEN IN MOSCOW 5921 IN LIEU OF VERSION IN STATE 98529 LEAVING " MONITOR" TO BE WORKED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA 5 ABOVE.

7. RE PARA 4, SINCE NOAA APPARENTLY WAS MOST STRONGLY CONCERNED ABOUT LAST SENTENCE IN ARTICLE 4, WE LEAVE IT TO MARTINEAN' S DISCRETION WHETHER SENTENCE NEED BE RETAINED. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO DROPPING IT IF SOVIETS INSIST. RUSH

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